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The Leon murderer was taken to Wichita to protect him from a mob. The Wichita jail is noted for the difficulty of getting in and the ease of getting out.

There is to be a necklite party in Topeka next Wednesday, but it isn't expected that the citizens will rush in and try to stop it as they did the one Diana Adams figured in.

Fourteen babies in Butler county which have been born during the past year to Populist parents have been named Todd, says the Girded World. The neighbors all call them Little Toddlers.

It is said the photographer who took pictures of the lynched men at Russell, took very force of habit, said, "Now please keep still and look pleasant," just before snapping the camera.

After looking over the tax returns the Adelene Reflector says the modesty of the people at that place is astounding. Many of the richest citizens ride in \$20 carriages and carry \$10 gold watches.

College Life: While reading a line in "Paradise Lost"—"sonorously lowing martial sounds"—we were struck with the fact that harps are played in heaven but they have the brass bands in hell.

While the people of Burden were at church last Sunday evening some evil disposed person or persons cut the harness on the teams standing outside all to pieces so that the people had to walk home.

Twenty-seven University boys wanted to be assigned to the part of the lover in the opera of the "Old Oaken Bucket." Why didn't they use the twenty-seven that couldn't fit for the green tangled wildwood?

W. O. Allen won the local oratorical contest of Kansas Wesleyan college on the subject, "The Future State." The judges were so pleased that the discussion was confined to this world, that Mr. Allen won it a walk.

Kansas has gone the Iowa hogger dealer, who burned his stock and saloon fixtures, one better. An Oklahoma druggist has been converted and excommunicated a large order of beer, saying he was done with the business forever.

The Adelene Globe remarks that it doesn't mind the carrying off of sidewalk, which has become general there, because that makes them more convenient and motivate sidewalkers you know are way up things.

STAGE GLINTS.

W. L. Buchanan has made a hit in the leading heavy character in "Joshua Simpkins."

Charles S. Heston of Wallalla, S. C., has completed a one act comedy in verse called "The Miser."

A performance of Bjornson's play, "The Gauntlet," has just been given at the London Royal Lyceum.

"Dorothy's Tramp" has been added recently to the sign of dramatic literature. It is by Emily Brown Powell of Atlanta, Ga.

"Hearts and Pedigree" is a new comedy by Margaret Cosby. "Our Disturber" is a new one act piece by Courtney Baylor.

Willard Spenser's new opera, "Princess Boulotte," will have its first performance at the Chestnut Street theater, Philadelphia, in March.

The London Stage states that Irving on his arrival from America may review "Othello" in which event he will play Iago and Wilson Barrett the Moor.

The next novelty promised by the members of the London Independent theater is an English version of Zola's three act comedy, "Les Herbes Rares."

Card and Theodore Roosevelt are preparing for the production of their new comedy, "Rapid Transit," which will be put on in New York before the end of the season.

Miss Edith Crane, recently of Daly's, has joined the New York Lyceum theater stock company and made her first appearance as Kate Rodney in "Our Cousin Cousin."

The production of Mr. Gatti's new play, "The Transgressor," at the London Avenue theater has been postponed. This is the place in which Olga Nethersole is to play the chief part.

PERSONAL GOSSIP.

Dr. Stephan, tutor of the children of Emperor William, has gone crazy.

Mrs. Gladstone owns property at Niagara Falls, Canada—three acres of land worth about \$5,000 an acre.

C. R. Bishop, the Honolulu banker, has given between \$50,000 and \$1,000,000 to various island charities.

It is proposed to erect a monument to Emin Pasha in the Silesian town of Neisse to commemorate his long labors as a naturalist, traveler and administrator in Africa.

Miss Elizabeth Oliveria Prescott, who died recently at the age of 92, was a descendant of Oliver Cromwell and the last of the protector's descendants who bore his name.

Mrs. R. C. Lincoln of Boston has given to the Museum of Fine Arts a piece of filigree work in silver from Algeria in the form of a coffee pot with a spout and handle of coral.

An election was held at Chicago December 10 for mayor. Both sides, as is usual, cut down the opposite vote as far as possible, yet Chicago polled 257,230 votes for mayor. Now what was New

FREE IRON THE PLAN.

All Amendments to Schedule
Voted Down.Income Tax Next Question to
Come Up.

RIDER ON TARIFF BILL

Republicans Will Join Demo-
crats to Make it So.WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—The amend-
ments to the iron schedule yesterday
met the same fate as those to the
coal schedule. They were overwhelm-
ingly defeated and iron ore remains
upon the free list. The remainder of
the afternoon was spent in the dis-
cussion of amendments looking to
the free admission of machinery
used in the manufacture of
cotton goods. Just before
the house adjourned the advocates and
opponents of the income tax upon the
Democratic side were arrayed against
each other, the latter attempting to
prevent Mr. McMillin from reading
the internal revenue bill to the house.
The Republicans have joined hands
with the income taxers and defeated the
small band of Democrats who
pledged themselves to use every effort
to prevent the internal revenue bill
from being passed upon the Wilson bill as a rider.Mr. McMillin, chairman of the com-
mittee who is sympathetic with them,
allowed the debate upon the Hoblitzel
amendment to place all agricultural
machinery upon the free list to run on
without interruption. It was said, for
the express purpose of consuming
time, so the committee amendments
which he has to offer will, when he
takes the floor, exhaust the de-
bate until Saturday night, and thus
shut out the possibility of the internal
revenue bill being offered as an
amendment to the Wilson bill. A
great deal of bitter feeling exists,
however, and should the program be
followed it will unquestionably lead
to charges of bad faith.The debate was closed by Mr. Sick-
ness, Democrat, New York. The Hoblitzel
amendment was in the direction of all others adopted thus far—the
extension of the free list.Where was the revenue to come
from, he asked. The deficiency was
already mountain high, and now it
was proposed to still further increase it.
What did it mean? To force an
income tax. He desired to say
here and now that he was irreconcil-
ably opposed to it and would vote
against any bill in which an income tax
was incorporated.Mr. Wilson moved the committee
rule. This motion without objection
was agreed to. Speaker Crisp resuming
the chair and later the house took a
recess until 6 o'clock.The speakers at the eighth session of
the house were Messrs. Ryan of New
York, Swanson of Virginia, Baldwin
of Minnesota, Bent of Ohio, Cummings
of New York, all Democrats,
and Hulbert, Populist, of Kansas, in
favor of the bill; and Messrs. Wagner of
Pennsylvania, Johnson of North Dako-
ta, Moore of Michigan and Blair of
New Hampshire, all Republicans,
in opposition to it. There were but few
other members present, but there
was a large audience in the galleries.

THE HAWAIIAN QUESTION.

It comes up in the Senate and Atter-
idge before West deer.WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—The Hawaiian
question came prominently before the
Senate again yesterday and after a
debate of six hours went over until
today. The result of the debate was
that there is division in both party
ranks on the wisdom of adopting the
resolution reported by the Foreign
affairs committee. Senator Vest ob-
jected to it in the ground it indicated
the project for annexation might be
more favorably received in the Senate,
and Senator Allison and other Repub-
licans voted to it on the ground
that according to their interpretation
the resolution pledged the Senate as
altogether opposing the principle of
annexation and as approving the
policy of the president in this respect.
A total of seven amendments are now
pending to modify its phraseology,
and it is likely to be subjected to ma-
jor changes before final adoption.At 12 o'clock the bill repealing the
federal election laws came up in un-
finished business.Senator Lodge then took the floor in
opposition to the bill repealing the
federal election laws. At 12 o'clock
the senator concluded his remarks, and on
motion of Senator Allison, the senate
went into executive session.At 12:15 the doors were again opened,
and Senator Cole of Texas, called up
the bill authorizing the Gulf, Beau-
mont and Kansas City railroad to
bridge the Neches and Sabine rivers
in Louisiana and Texas. This measure
was made the occasion of a detailed
discussion by Senator Vest of the
recent veto by Cleveland of the
New York and New Jersey bill. The
bill passed, several minor amendments
being first adopted.The bill extending the time for the
construction of the bridge across the
Calumet river, Illinois, the senate bill
authorizing the issue of a patent to
the Presbyterian Board of Home Mis-
sions for certain lands on the Omaha
Indian reservation for school purposes,
and the house bill to authorize the
secretary of the interior to reserve
from sale certain land in the abandoned
Fort Custer's military reservation
were passed, and then at 4 P.M.
the senate adjourned.

SENATOR HILL SPEAKS OUT.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Senator Hill
spoke very frankly yesterday that he
intended to defeat the confirmation of
Mr. Beckham, nominated to be associate
justice of the supreme court of the
United States, if he could. He is
very confident of success and it is very
probable that a number of documents
against Mr. Beckham will be laid before
the committee on Monday.

HE WAS BARNUM'S PRIZE BABY.

Career of Signor Perugini, Otherwise Johnnie Chatterton, Lillian Russell's Fiance.

Whether Signor Perugini, known not
wisely but too well on the stage in New
York when he won Lillian Russell's hand
and heart, both in the opera and in real
life, the result of their joint matrimonial
career alone will tell. They met, played
lovers on the stage three weeks and then
decided that the wedding march would
be about the sweetest music their ears
could bear. If nothing happens to inter-
fere with the happy ending of this
stage romance, the couple will be mar-
ried in March.Signor Perugini, who has won fair
Lillian's heart when unnumbered dudes
have vainly endeavored to do so, was
born plain Johnnie Chatterton, but as

he grew up he became Johnnie Chatterton,

the name sounded too much like home

talent he changed it to Signor Perugini
without even a "by your leave" to the
New York legislature. His first starpart was that of prize baby in Barnum's
great New York baby show years ago.
When he grew to man's estate, he went toEurope, studied for grand opera and
was making a name for himself when
death compelled him to temporarily quit
the stage. His next venture was in

light opera, and he has been a member

of various good companies. Not long

ago he played Christopher Columbus in

"1392" in Boston. He is about 40 years

of age, tall, decidedly good looking and

possessing dark eyes of many candle

power. These eyes, which are described

as large, dreamy and soulful, are said to

have particularly played havoc with

Miss Russell's heart.

It appears that the coming event will

be Perugini's first matrimonial venture,

but Miss Russell has twice before heard

the wedding bells. Her first husband

was Harry Brahman, and although he

was a musical director their relations

did not prove harmonious. Then she

married Teddy Solomon, composer of

"Belle Taylor" and other well known

operas, but again marriage proved

failure with her. The fruit of their

marriage was a daughter, now 5 years of age.

Miss Russell recently secured a divorce

from Solomon and is now free to marry

for the third time.

DIRECTS THE BULLS AND BEARS.

The New President of Chicago's Board
of Trade is Popular and Bravery.The regime of Charles L. Raymon, the
new president of the Chicago board of
trade, promises to be an important one
in the history of that famous body.

A million and a quarter of the organiza-

tion's bonds will be refunded now

at the 10 year limit of their existence, as

they expire, and the great tower at

1,235 feet from the board of trade

building will be taken down at an ex-
pense of \$600,000, for the reason that the

enormous weight has already caused the

structure to sink eight inches and threatens

to entirely demolish it.

Mr. Raymond is an excellent type of
the self made man. Years ago he began

work in the stockyards, serving at first

in a very humble capacity, and by indus-

try and perseverance he soon began

making a place for himself in the provin-

cial trade in Chicago.

He became secretary to the

Chicago Stock Exchange in 1870, and

then to the Chicago Stock Exchange in

1872, and finally to the Chicago Stock

Exchange in 1874, where he remained

until 1878, when he became a member of

the Chicago Stock Exchange.

He became a member of the Chicago Stock

Exchange in 1878, and remained a mem-

ber until 1882, when he became a mem-

ber of the Chicago Stock Exchange.

He became a member of the Chicago Stock

Exchange in 1882, and remained a mem-

ber until 1886, when he became a mem-

ber of the Chicago Stock Exchange.

He became a member of the Chicago Stock

Exchange in 1886, and remained a mem-

ber until 1890, when he became a mem-

ber of the Chicago Stock Exchange.

He became a member of the Chicago Stock

Exchange in 1890, and remained a mem-

ber until 1894, when he became a mem-

ber of the Chicago Stock Exchange.

He became a member of the Chicago Stock

Exchange in 1894, and remained a mem-

ber until 1898, when he became a mem-

ber of the Chicago Stock Exchange.

He became a member of the Chicago Stock

Exchange in 1898, and remained a mem-